

SENATE BILL No. 83

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 35-46-3-14.

Synopsis: Cruelty to horses. Prohibits the transportation of a horse in a vehicle having two or more levels stacked one on top of another and that does not allow the horse to be transported in a standing position with its head in a normal upright position above its withers. Makes the act a Class B misdemeanor for the first offense and a Class A misdemeanor for a second or subsequent offense.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 7, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2002 Regular or Special Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 35-46-3-14 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2003]: **Sec. 14. (a) For purposes of this section, "horse" means a**
4 **horse, a mule, a burro, an ass, a colt, a pony, or another member**
5 **of the Equidae family.**

6 **(b) As used in this section, "vehicle" has the meaning set forth**
7 **in IC 9-13-2-196(d).**

8 **(c) A person who knowingly or intentionally transports or**
9 **causes to be transported a horse in a vehicle that has two (2) or**
10 **more levels stacked one (1) on top of another so that the horse**
11 **cannot be transported in a standing position with its head in a**
12 **normal upright position above its withers commits transportation**
13 **of a horse in a cruel manner, a Class B misdemeanor. However, the**
14 **offense is a Class A misdemeanor if the person has a prior**
15 **unrelated conviction under this section.**

16 **(d) A person commits a separate offense for each horse**
17 **transported in violation of subsection (c).**



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1 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003] **IC 35-46-3-14, as**
2 **added by this act, applies only to crimes committed after June 30,**
3 **2003.**

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